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In re A	application of:	)	
Kouji I	MATSUO, et al.	)	Group Art Unit: 2811
Applic	ation No.: 10/815,932	)	Examiner: Unknown
Filed:	April 2, 2004	)	
For:	SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING THE SAME	) ) )	
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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## SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT **UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)**

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), Applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached PTO-1449. Applicants are filing this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits for the above-referenced application, to the undersigned representative's knowledge at the time this paper was filed. This IDS supplements the IDS filed on April 2, 2004.

Applicants attach copies of the listed documents. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate their consideration by making appropriate notation on the attached PTO-1449 Form.

In lieu of a statement of relevance or full translation of the non-English documents,

Applicants enclose the attached Japanese Patent Office Action entitled "Notification of Reasons

for Rejection," mailed July 13, 2004 in a counterpart foreign application, citing and setting forth

the relevance of the attached documents. An English language translation of the Japanese Patent

Office Action is also enclosed.

This submission does not represent that a search has been made or that no better art

exists, and does not constitute an admission that the listed documents are material or constitute

"prior art." If the Examiner applies the documents as prior art against any claim in the

application and Applicants determine that the cited documents do not constitute "prior art" under

United States law, Applicants reserve the right to present to the Office the relevant facts and law

regarding the appropriate status of such documents.

Applicants further reserve the right to take appropriate action to establish the patentability

of the disclosed invention over the listed documents, should the documents be applied against the

claims of the present application.

If there is any fee due in connection with the filing of this Statement, please charge the

fee to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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